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Revenue (1948) Department

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G.O. No. 145

Dated 23 48

[Despatch Abstract.]

Excise - Hemp drugs - Administration proposals - 1948-49 - Approved.

BOARD OF REVENUE (EXCISE) DEPARTMENT

Sub:- Hemp Drugs - Administration - Proposals - 1948-49 - Report to Government - Submitted.

Read

C.R.No. 52065/Abk/47/D4.

Station:- Madras. Dated 30th December 1947.

From

Md. Munzoor Hussain Khan Sahib Bahadur, B.A. (Hons)., Assistant Secretary, Board of Revenue (Excise).

V.N. Kudva, Esq., I.C.S., C.I.E., Member, Board of Revenue, and Commissioner of Land Revenue, Excise and Prohibition.

Reference:-

The Board reports that the rules relating to the administration of the revenue derived from hemp drugs have worked satisfactorily during the current year.

2. Duty on ganja and bhang:- The duty on ganja and bhang was raised to Rs. 65/- and Rs. 30/- per seer respectively from 1.4.1947. The rentals of ganja shops and the duty and consumption of ganja and bhang for the past five years and during the current year upto 30.9.47 are given below:-

Year.	Rentals.	Quantity issued.				Duty per seer.	
		Ganja.		Bhang.		Ganja.	Bhang.
		Mds.	Srs.	Mds.	Srs.	Rs.	Rs.
1942-43.	7,40,508	770	16	63	34	30	13
1943-44.	10,18,536	982	33	126	13	30	13
1944-45.	21,47,180	951	2	146	26	35	15
1945-46	35,16,192	1000	33	141	11	55	25
1946-47	*36,32,952	768	18	154	3	55	25
1947-48	21,04,770	(282	29	88	25)	65	30
		(upto 30.9.47)					

* Includes rentals of 8 Prohibition districts and in select firkas)

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The decrease in the issues of ganja during this year is mainly due to the restriction of issues of ganja and also to the high rate of selling price in the shops. The Collectors of the Non-Prohibition districts and the Deputy Commissioner of Excise report that the existing rates of duty on ganja and bhang, viz., Rs. 65/- and Rs. 30/- respectively may continue for the next lease. The Board agrees with them and recommends the continuance of the existing rates of duty on ganja and bhang during the next lease.

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Assistant Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

G.O. Ms. No. 145. Dated the 23rd January 1948.

Read:-

G.O. Ms. No. 112, Revenue, dated 16.1.1947.
From the Board of Revenue, Reference C.No. 32065/Abk/47
D4. dated 30.12.1947

Order:-

The Government agree with the recommendation of the Board of Revenue and direct that the existing rates of duty on ganja and bhang should be continued during the next lease year 1948-49.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

P.S. Viswanatha Ayyar,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To

The Board of Revenue (Excise).
The Finance Department with enclosure.
The Accountant-General through the Finance.

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Office Assistant,
Madras Record Office.

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